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**RESPONSE TO A FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 17, 2006**

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Sir:

In response to a Final Office Action dated October 17, 2006, please reconsider the application in light of the following remarks.